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Ken Felton, Treasurer
Farmers Mutual Hail Ins. Co.
of Iowa Political Action
Committee (FMH PAC)
2323 Grand Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50312

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Reference: Year End Report (7/1/95-12/31/95)

Dear Mr. Felton:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) discloses contributions received through a payroll deduction plan. Generally, a committee's report must identify each contribution from an individual which in the aggregate exceeds \$200 during the calendar year. (2 U.S.C. §434(b)) For your information, instead of separate itemization, a committee using a payroll deduction plan may disclose the aggregate amount of contributions received from the contributor through the payroll deduction plan during the reporting period; the identification of the individual where the contribution exceeds \$200 in the aggregate during the calendar year; and a statement of the amount deducted per pay period. 11 CFR §104.8(b)

Any amendment or clarification should be filed with the Federal Election Commission. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,

Neil Evans
Reports Analyst
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PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

SCHEDULE A ITEMIZED RECEIPTS		Use separate statements for each category of the Donor Summary Page	PAGE	OF
Contributions from Individuals		FOR LINE NUMBER 11(A)(3)		
Any information copied from such Reports and Statements may not be used for any purpose for the purpose of soliciting contributions or for commercial purposes other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such contributors.				
NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)		NATIONAL ORGANIZATION PAC 000000001		
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code		Name of Employer		Amount of Cash Received for Period
Anno Sullivan 21 18th Street City, State ZIP		National Organization, Inc. Branch Manager		payroll deduction \$72.00 (812 biweekly)
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code		Name of Employer		Amount of Cash Received for Period
Rodney Jones 551 Elmwood Road City, State ZIP		National Organization, Inc. Vice President		payroll deduction \$180.00 (820 biweekly)

Itemize payroll deductions only after they have exceeded \$200 per calendar year from an individual.

Payroll Deductions

Once an individual's deductions aggregate over \$200 in a calendar year, report the total amount deducted from the donor's paychecks during the reporting period on Schedule A. In parentheses indicate the amount that was deducted each pay period. Instead of stating a specific date of receipt, write "payroll deduction" under "Date." The other itemized information, including the year-to-date total, must be completed for each donor. 104.8(b).

EXAMPLE: During an election year, a corporate manager authorizes her employer to deduct \$12 per pay period (each pay period is two weeks) for the company's SSF. The SSF, which files FEC reports on a quarterly schedule, includes the manager's contributions as "unitemized contributions" in its April and July quarterly reports. By June 30, the closing date for the July report, the manager's aggregate contributions are \$185 — still below the \$200 itemization threshold. By September 30 — the closing date for the October quarterly report — the manager's contributions reach \$228. Therefore, the committee itemizes the total contributions received from the manager during the third quarter (\$120), providing the year-to-date total in the appropriate space. (See Item A in the illustration above.)

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS

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A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code		Name of Employer		Amount of Cash Received for Period
Martin L. Krass 4 River Road City, State ZIP		National Organization, Inc. Chairman		5/19/92 \$5,000.00 (IN-KIND) (RAFFLE PRIZE)

In-Kind Contributions

When determining whether to itemize an in-kind contribution, follow the same guidelines listed above under "When to Itemize Receipts." See Chapter 2 for information on how to determine the dollar value of an in-kind contribution.

In addition, add the value of the in-kind contribution to the operating expenditures total on Line 21(b) (in order to avoid inflating the cash-on-hand amount). 104.13(a)(2).

If the in-kind contribution must be itemized on Schedule A, then it must also be itemized on a Schedule B for operating expenditures. See the illustration at right.

Appreciated Goods

When a committee receives an in-kind contribution whose value may

SCHEDULE B ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS		Use separate statements for each category of the Donor Summary Page	PAGE	OF
Operating Expenditures/Other Federal		FOR LINE NUMBER 21(B)		
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NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)		NATIONAL ORGANIZATION PAC 000000001		
A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code		Name of Contributor		Amount of Cash Contribution for Period
Martin L. Krass 4 River Road City, State ZIP		NAT'L PRIZE		5/19/92 \$5,000.00 (IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION)

Itemize in-kind contributions on both Schedules A and B so as not to inflate the cash-on-hand amount.

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